



**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Part 63**

**[EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037; FRL-9921-81-OAR]**

**RIN 2060-AS45**

**National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production Area Sources Wastewater Limit Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to amend the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production Area Sources. In addition to this proposed rule, the EPA is publishing a direct final rule that withdraws the total non-vinyl chloride organic hazardous air pollutant (TOHAP) area source process wastewater emission standards for new and existing polyvinyl chloride and copolymers area sources. If we receive no adverse comment, we will not take further action on this proposed rule.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received by March 13, 2015.

Public Hearing. If anyone contacts the EPA requesting a public hearing by February 9, 2015, the EPA will hold a public hearing on February 11, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency building located at 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park,

NC 27711. If the EPA holds a public hearing, the EPA will keep the record of the hearing open for 30 days after completion of the hearing to provide an opportunity for submission of rebuttal and supplementary information.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037, by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: [a-and-r-docket@epa.gov](mailto:a-and-r-docket@epa.gov). Attention Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037.
- Fax: (202) 566-9744. Attention Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037.
- Mail: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Mail Code: 28221T, Attention Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460.
- Hand Delivery: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Room 3334, EPA WJC West Building, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20004. Attention Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions. Direct your comments to Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0037. The EPA's policy is that all comments received will be

included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be confidential business information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or email. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means the EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to the EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov>, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, the EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should not include special characters or any form of encryption and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about the EPA's public docket, visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at: <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

We request that you also send a separate copy of each comment to the contact person listed below (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jodi Howard, Sector Policies and Programs Division (E143-01), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; telephone number: (919) 541-4607; fax number: (919) 541-2406; and email address: howard.jodi@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Why is the EPA issuing this proposed rule?**

The EPA is proposing this rule to take action on amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production Area Sources (40 CFR part 63, subpart DDDDDD). We are proposing to withdraw the area source process wastewater emission standards for new and existing sources in Tables 1 and 2 of 40 CFR part 63, subpart DDDDDD. In addition, the EPA has published a direct final rule withdrawing the area source process wastewater TOHAP emission standards in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** because we view this as a noncontroversial action and anticipate no adverse comment. We have explained our reasons for this action in the preamble to the direct final rule.

If we receive no adverse comment, we will not take further action on this proposed rule. If we receive adverse comment on a

distinct portion of the direct final rule, we will withdraw that portion of the rule and it will not take effect. In this instance, we would address all public comments in any subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.

If we receive adverse comment on a distinct provision of the direct final rule, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** indicating which provisions we are withdrawing. The provisions that are not withdrawn will become effective on the date set out in the direct final rule, notwithstanding adverse comment on any other provision. We do not intend to institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time.

The regulatory text for this proposal is identical to that for the direct final rule published in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**. For further supplementary information, the detailed rationale for this proposal and the regulatory revisions, see the direct final rule published in a separate part of this **Federal Register**.

## **II. Does this action apply to me?**

Categories and entities potentially regulated by this proposed rule include:

Category	NAICS Code <sup>1</sup>	Examples of Regulated Entities
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Polyvinyl chloride resins manufacturing	325211	Facilities that polymerize vinyl chloride monomer to produce polyvinyl chloride and/or copolymers products.
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<sup>1</sup> North American Industry Classification System.

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be regulated by this proposed rule. To determine whether your facility would be regulated by this proposed rule, you should examine the applicability criteria in 40 CFR 63.11140. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult either the air permitting authority for the entity or your EPA regional representative as listed in 40 CFR 63.13.

### III. Statutory and Executive Orders

For a complete discussion of all of the administrative requirements applicable to this action, see the direct final rule in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 23, 2015.

Gina McCarthy,  
Administrator.

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